

## **Cosponsors "Wounded Warriors" Bill to Crack Down on Deplorable Conditions Highlighted in Recent Reports**

Washington - In an effort to provide veterans with the quality medical care promised to them, Congressman Charlie Wilson (OH-6) has signed on as an original cosponsor of H.R. 1268, the Dignity for Wounded Warriors Act of 2007. The bill was introduced today in the House of Representatives.

"It is this nation's duty to stand up for those who sacrificed so much for us," said Congressman Wilson. "Recent reports from Walter Reed and other facilities show our government is not living up to that promise. This is extremely troubling, and it needs to change now."

Specifically, H.R. 1268:

- requires semiannual inspections of all military medical facilities; inspection reports will be submitted to the appropriate congressional committees and military leaders; the reports will also be posted online

- provides veterans staying in substandard facilities with alternate housing options

- reduces paperwork and red tape for recovering service members and their families

- calls on the Department of Defense to ensure each facility staffs a sufficient number of caseworkers and supervising officers

The full text of H.R. 1268 can be found [here](#) .

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